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SUBJ: SANLO EXPORT CORP., FLUSHING N.Y. VS: FEDERAL

ENTERPRISE CO. 96 NANKING ROAD EAST, SECTION 1,

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1. AS NOTED IN JULY 23 LETTER TO EFREM ARENSTEIN, EMBASSY HAS FOLLOWED REFTTEL CASE CLOSELY AND HAS MADE NUMEROUS REPRESENTATIONS ON BEHALF SANLO TO BOARD OF FOREIGN TRADE (BOFT), STAR SHIPPING AND TRADING COMPANY, FEDERAL ENTERPRISE, ETC. WE HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY ASSURED BY BOFT THAT REEXPORT OF SUBJECT RESINS POSED NO PROBLEM AND WOULD BE APPROVED ON EXPEDITIOUS BASIS AS SOON AS REQUIRED FORMS SUBMITTED. DURING HIS VISIT HERE, EDWARD NASSBERG REQUESTED MR. HAN, AN OFFICIAL OF STAR SHIPPING, TO PROCESS THE REEXPORT APPLICATION AS A PERSONAL FAVOR. MR. HAN ASKED LOCAL BROKERAGE FIRM TO PREPARE REQUIRED PAPER WORK. DESPITE SEVERAL PHONE CALLS, MR. HAN SHOWED LITTLE ENTHUSIASM IN GETTING JOB DONE AND ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IMPLIED THAT NASSBERG REQUEST WAS UNDUE IMPOSITION ON HIS TIME. EMBASSY RECEIVED SIMILAR REACTION FROM MAX SHORTEN, ANOTHER LOCAL BUSINESSMAN, WHO SANLO ASKED TO ASSIST. PROBLEM WAS COMPLICATED BY MANY CHANGES OF SIGNALS, E.G., SANLO TRIED TO FIND NEW BUYER AFTER FEDERAL ENTERPRISE REFUSED ACCEPT SHIPMENT, AND BY FACT THAT NASSBERG AND ARENSTEIN APPARENTLY DISSOLVED THEIR BUSINESS ASSOCIATION. LOYALTY OF CHINESE CONTACTS HERE, SLIGHT AS IT MAY BE, UNCLASSIFIED

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WAS TO FORMER.

2. BROKERAGE HOUSE HAS FINALLY SUBMITTED FORMS TO BOFT AND WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY BOFT THAT APPROVAL FOR REEXPORT WILL BE GRANTED AND RESINS WILL CLEAR CUSTOMS SHORTLY.

3. EMBASSY OFFICER PARTICIPATED IN MEETING AT BOFT WITH NASSBERG AT WHICH FEDERAL ENTERPRISE AGREED PAY SANLO US\$5,000. HOWEVER, NASSBERG REJECTED OFFER AS INSUFFICIENT AND FEDERAL, FOR DUBIOUS REASONS, NOW CLAIMS IT NOT BOUND BY OFFER. COMATT WALLACE SPENT SEVERAL HOURS WITH OWNER FEDERAL ENTERPRISE IN EFFORT GET HER REACH SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT WITH SANLO.

4. EMBASSY NOT COMTEMPLATING ADDITIONAL DEMARCHES UNLESS NEW DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT.
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